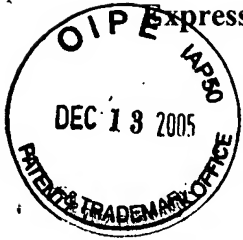


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This is in response to the Office Action dated **August 16, 2005**, and is submitted on or before the extended due date of **December 16, 2005**. Applicants submit the following amendment and remarks. Reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.

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